

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of :  
Michael SCHMELZ et al. : Group Art Unit.: 1797  
Serial No.: 10/563,241 : Examiner: NAGPAUL, Jyoti  
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Title: SAMPLING DEVICE FOR A MICROREACTION SYSTEM

**REPLY**

Commissioner for Patents  
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SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed on September 5, 2008, please amend the claims as follows and consider the remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.